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ungsbericht ausgelegt, against which another Rom. Cath. theologian, Prof. Bernh. Schäfer, in Münster, urges the criticism of overhasty reconciliation of the teachings of physical science with the Biblical account of creation: "The Bible and Science," Bible und Wissenschaft. The work of Prof. Dr. Ed. Riehm also offers much that is striking and beautiful, "The Account of Creation," Der biblische Schoepfungsbericht.

Two more numbers, the fourteenth and fifteenth, of Riehm's "Pocket Dict. of Bib. Antiquity for Bible Students," have appeared, which nearly complete the work. After long expectation, an illustrated subscription book has appeared, "Palestine in Word and Picture," Palaestina in Word and Picture,"

Wort und Bild.

Two articles, one by G. Studer, "Textual Criticism of Isaiah," in the Jahrbuecher fuer protestantische Theologie, 1880-81, and one by Hollenberg, "Textual Criticism of the books of Joshua and Judges," in the Zeitschrift fuer die alttestamentliche Wissenschaft, are worthy of notice; also the paper by H. A. Vollers, on the Twelve Prophets, First Half: the prophets Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi; also the comparison of the Vatican and Sinaitic Text with the received text of the Septuagint by E. Nestle; also the Latin Text of the Pentateuch from a Lyons codex, which, the publisher, U. Robert, seeks to show, is distinct from the so-called Itala, and was translated from the Greek not earlier than the third or fourth century

Stade's many-sided and excellent Journal offers much that belongs here; for example, in its latest vol., "Lexicographical," by G. Hoffmann, of Kiel; "Contributions from the St. Petersburg Manuscripts," by Harkavy, etc. The Jewish scholar J. Benjacob has published in three volumes a "Bibliography of the collected Hebrew Literature, including the MSS., (to 1863), arranged alphabetically," from the literary remains of his father, J. A. Benjacob, under the title, "Ozar Ha-Sepharim," Bibliographie der gesamm-ten hebraeischen Literatur, mit Einschluss der Handschrif-ten (bis 1863) mit den Titeln alphabetisch geordnet.

### STUDIES IN THE OLD TESTAMENT.

#### For July-December, 1883. THIRD QUARTER.

Lesson 1. July 1.—Joshua, Successor to Moses Josh.
1. 1—9. Golden Text: Eph. 6. 10.
2. July 8.—Passing over Jordan. Josh 3. 5—17. Golden

Z. July 6.—PASSING OVER JORDAN. JOSH 5. 3—17. GOLDEN TEXT: Isa. 43. 2.
3. July 15.—THE PLAINS OF JERICHO. JOSH 5. 10—15, and 6. 1—5. GOLDEN TEXT: Heb. 11. 30.
4. July 22.—ISRAEL DEFEATED AT AI. JOSH. 7. 10—26. GOLDEN TEXT: Num. 32. 23. 5. July 29.—The Reading of the Law. Josh. 8. 30-35.

Golden Text: Deut. 30. 19.

6. Aug. 5.—The Cities of Refuge. Josh. 20. 1—9. Golden Text: Heb. 6. 18.

7. Aug. 12.—The Last Days of Joshua. Josh. 24. 14—29. Golden Text: Josh. 24. 15.

8. Aug. 19.—Israel Forsaking God. Judg. 2. 6—16. Golden Text: Judg. 2. 12.
9. Aug. 26.—Gideon's Army. Judg. 7. 1—8. Golden Text: Judg. 7. 20.
10. Sept. 2.—The Death of Samson. Judg. 16. 21—31. Golden Text: Psa. 68. 35.

11. Sept. 9.—Ruth and Naomi. Ruth 1. 14—22. Golden

TEXT: Ruth 1. 16.

12. Sept. 16.—A Praying Mother. 1. Sam. 1. 21—28. Golden Text: 1. Sam. 1. 28. 13. Sept. 23.—The Child Samuel. 1. Sam. 3. 1—19. Golden Text: 1. Sam. 3. 9.

#### FOURTH QUARTER.

Lesson 1. Oct. 7.—Eli's Death. 1. Sam. 4. 10—18. Golden Text: 1. Sam. 3. 13.
2. Oct. 14.—Samuel the Judge. 1. Sam. 7. 3—17. Golden

TEXT: 1. Sam. 7. 12.

3. Oct. 21.—Asking for a King. 1. Sam. 8. 1—10.

GOLDEN TEXT: Psa. 118. 9.

4. Oct. 28.—Saul Chosen King. 1, Sam. 10, 17-27. GOLDEN TEXT: 1. Sam. 10. 24.

5 Nov. 4.—Samuel's Farewell Address. 1. Sam. 12. Golden Text: 1. Sam. 12. 24.

6. Nov. 11. SAUL REJECTED. 1, Sam. 15, 12-26. GOLDEN **Т**ехт: 1. Sam. 15. 22.

7. Nov. 18.—David Anointed. 1. Sam. 16. 1—13. Golden TEXT: Psa. 89. 20.

8. Nov: 25.—David and Goliath. 1. Sam. 17. 38—51. Golden Text: 1. Sam. 17. 47.

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9. Dec. 2.—David's Enemy—Saul. 1. Sam. 18. 1—16.
Golden Text: 1. Sam. 18. 14.

10. Dec. 9.—David's Friend—Jonathan. 1. Sam. 20.
32—42. Golden Text: Prov. 18. 24.

11. Dec. 16.—David Sparing his Enemy. 1. Sam. 24.
1—17. Golden Text: Matt. 5. 44.

12. Dec. 23.—Death of Saul and Jonathan. 1. Sam. 31.
1—13. Golden Text: Prov. 14. 32.

# BOOK NOTICES.

[All publications received, which relate directly or indirectly to the Old Testament, will be promptly noticed under this head. Attention will not be confined to new books; but notices will be given, so far as possible, of such old books, in this department of study, as may be of general interest to pastors and students.]

#### HOURS WITH THE BIBLE. VOL. 4. (See below.)

We noticed briefly in the last number vols. 1, 2 and 3 of this work. This volume, finished April 6th, 1882, begins with Rehoboam's Accession to the throne, and closes with Sennacherib's campaign. Many historical points of great difficulty come up for consideration, and are handled. seemingly, in a careful and scholarly manner. The author's views on the Pentateuch question are indicated in the preface, where Prof. W. Robertson Smith receives an unmerciful handling. In this volume, the author seems to be more guarded than in the former ones. He does not so frequently yield assent to German "views." The perusal of these volumes will, it is believed, throw much light upon sacred history; and certainly he who reads them will have a more definite and a more accurate acquaintance with the great events and characters of biblical history.

Egypt. By CLARA ERSKINE CLEMENT, author of "A Simple Story of the Orient." A Handbook of Legendary and Mythological Art," etc. With one hundred and six illustrations, 12mo. pp. 475. Boston: D. Lothrop & Co. Price, \$1.50. For sale by F. G. Thearle, 151 Wabash Ave., Chicago.

Almost anything written in these days concerning Egypt is worthy of our attention. Its "mysterious antiquity" gives it an interest beyond description. As the writer well remarks, "to what other country can one come with the delightful anticipations he may well bring to that of Egypt?" The book is written by one who can write and one, too, who has seen for herself what she here describes. The illustrations add much to the description. The book discusses, briefly of course, Egyptian History from the most ancient times to the present.

The Patriarchs of the Bible, By the Rev. W. Hanna, D. D., and Rev. Canon Norris, B. D. With colored maps. 12mo. pp. 218. New York: Cassell, Peter & Galpin. Price, \$1.25. For sale by F. G. Thearle, 151 Wabash Ave., Chicago.

These biographies appeared in the Bible Educator, and, after a careful revision by the authors, have been printed in book form. They are popular in their character, yet at the same time, comprehensive and exact. The tables of the events in the lives of the several patriarchs, two of